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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re: Implementation of the Federal Communications Commission's

Triennial Review Order (Nine-month Proceeding) (Switching)

Docket No. 03-00491

Dear Chairman Tate:

Enclosed are the original and fourteen copies of BellSouth's *Unopposed Motion* for Extension of Time in the referenced docket. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In Re:

Implementation of the Federal Communications Commission's

Triennial Review Order (Nine-month Proceeding) (Switching)

Docket No. 03-00491

UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") respectfully requests an

extension of time from Thursday, January 29, 2004 until Tuesday February 3, 2004 to

respond to MCI Interrogatory Requests 76, 77, 80, 81, 84, 85, 88, and 89, in

accordance with the Order Granting MCI's Motion to Compel entered by the Hearing

Officer on January 22, 2004. BellSouth is diligently working on its responses to these

interrogatories and needs additional time to complete this task. Counsel for BellSouth

has contacted local counsel for MCI and confirmed that MCI has no opposition to this

motion.

WHEREFORE, BellSouth requests that it be granted an extension until Tuesday,

February 3, 2004, to provide responses to the above-referenced interrogatories.

Respectfully submitted,

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